allowing the computer system 201 to communicate with a remote computing device 250

via a local area network 258 (or such communication may be via the wide area network

239 or other communications path such as dial-up or other communications means). The

computer system 201 will typically include other peripheral output devices, such as

printers and other standard peripheral devices.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 24 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s)

previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is

attached.

1. (Amended) A method of conducting a transaction between a buyer and a seller

over a global network, the method comprising:

(a) receiving a lower limit price for a product from the seller;

(b) receiving an upper limit bid for the product from the buyer;

(c) comparing the seller lower limit price and the buyer upper limit bid; and

(d) if an overlap region exists between the seller lower limit price and the buyer

upper limit bid, setting a price point for the product within the overlap region that is

based on the lower limit price and the upper limit bid.

19. (Amended) A computer system for conducting a transaction between a buyer

and a seller, the computer system comprising:

at least one user computer running a computer program that effects input

information relating to one of a lower limit price for a product from the seller or an upper

limit bid for the product from the buyer; and

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